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1. THE LIST OF PROPOSED DISCUSSION TOPICS SUBMITTED BY AF/P CONTAINS SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE, ALTHOUGH THE ITEMS WHICH CHALLENGE CONVENTIONAL WISDOM LOOK LIKE THEY WILL STIMULATE MUCH MORE INTEREST. BECAUSE MUCH OF THE STRENGTH OF THE PRESENT ADMINISTRATION'S POSITIONS ON AFRICA COMES FROM A DESIRE TO RE-EXAMINE AND RE-ORIENT WHERE NECESSARY OUR AFRICAN RELATIONSHIPS, I WOULD HOPE THAT WE COULD SPEND SUFFICIENT TIME TO EXAMINE SOME OF OUR OWN PREMISES ABOUT U.S.-AFRICAN RELATIONS. I THINK SOMMTHING COULD BE MADE OF THE FOLLOWING TOPICS:

2. WHAT ARE THE REAL SOURCES OF U.S. INFRNENCE IN AFRICA-COMME(8-) 58ES, MILITARY PRESENCE, MORAL SUASION, DIPLOMATIC MISSIONS, ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS? WHICH OF THE PREVIOUS SHOULD TB E AUGMENTED, REDUCED, ELPDINATED?

3. HOW MUCH SUPPORT NI HOULD WE GIVE TO CURRENT POLICIES OF FRANCE, BRITAIN, BELGIUM, PORTUGAL IN AFRICA?
A RECENT ARTICLE IN FOREIGN POLICY MAGAZINE ABOUT FRENCH POLICY IN AFRICA MAKES ME THINK THAT THIS IS STILL AN ISSUE OF CONSIDERABLE DISAGREEMENT.
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4. WHAT ARE THE EFFECTS TS U.S. DOMESTIC POLITICAL ISSUES ON AFRICA, MOST SPECIFICALLY RACIAL ISSUES? WHAT ARE THE EFFECTS OF AFRICAN ISSUES ON U.S. POLITICS? ALTHOUGH IT IS CERTAIN THAT IN BOTH CASES, THE EFFECTS IN THE AGGREGATE ARE VIRTUALLY NIL, I WOULD BE INTERESTED IN KNOWING THE REAL IMPORTANCE OF SUCH MATTERS ON THE HILL, IN THE

UPPER FLOORS OF THE STATE DEPARTMENT.

5. ALTHOUGH IT IS CLEAR THAT THE MATTERS PRESENTED IN REFTEL
ARE MERELY SUBJECT HEADINGS AND NOT PHRASED AS DISCUSSION
TOPICS, I WOULD HOPE THAT EACH DISCUSSION COULD BE BACKED
UP WITH AT LEAST ONE OR TWO NEWSPAPER AND/OR MAGAZINE
ARTICLES PRESENTING OPPOSING VIEWS ON ISSUES COULD BE
PROVIDED, WHERE AVAILABLE. I LOOK VERY MUCH FORWARD TO ATTENDING
WHAT LOOKS LIKE A USEFUL MEETING.
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